

## ***Sheila O. Conley***

### **Biography**

Ms. Conley joined the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in 2006 as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Finance and Deputy Chief Financial Officer. She is responsible for leading the Department's annual financial statement preparation and audit process; implementing a more rigorous internal control program under OMB's revised Circular A-123; overseeing the Department's financial management systems portfolio, reducing improper payments in some of the Federal Government's largest programs, and instilling program integrity throughout every HHS program.

From 2003 to 2006, Sheila served as the U.S. Department of State's Managing Director for Financial Policy, Reporting and Analysis. From 1992 to 2003, Sheila held various positions of increasing responsibility at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) ranging from financial analyst to OMB's Acting Controller. She was primarily charged with overseeing the implementation of the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, which requires financial statement audits of large Federal agencies and the Federal Government as a whole. She was also responsible for overseeing the Federal government's efforts to streamline and simplify grants policy and administration.

Before joining OMB, Sheila was a senior manager with KPMG. During her ten years with KPMG, she provided audit and financial management consulting services to clients in a wide range of industries including the Federal sector.

In 2009, Sheila received the Association of Government Accountants' Elmer Staats Award, which recognizes a federal professional who exemplifies excellence in government, outstanding leadership, high ethical standards and innovative management.

Ms. Conley is the 2010 recipient of the Donald L. Scantlebury Memorial Award, which annually commemorates a dynamic leader whose ideas and actions have significantly advanced financial management in the public sector. This award is the highest honor bestowed by the Joint Financial Management Improvement Program (JFMIP) Principals, representing GAO, OMB, Treasury, and OPM.

She is a certified public accountant in the District of Columbia and a Certified Government Financial Manager. She is a member of the Greater Washington Society of Certified Public Accountants, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and AGA. Sheila obtained a bachelor's of business administration degree (*summa cum laude*) in 1981 from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA. She is married and has three energetic sons.